



Charleston Air Force Base, SC
Update for February 04
10th Anniversary 2004

Flight 315 Bulletin...news of our heroes 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association

35th Anniversary of the 943rd/315th Airlift Wing 10th Anniversary of the 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association

You are invited all units/squadrons personnel and retirees on 14-15 May 2004
Make reservation now by returning the Registration Form early!...form below.

Alumni Luncheon

Another great get together with members of the past and present. We had several retirees from out of town to attend along with the Wing Commander, Col. Gary Cook. The lunch meeting was fun, interesting and the fellowship positively 315th Airlift Wing's esprit de corps...several door prizes given and the group presented a check to the mini-model C-17 project. We invite all alumni/associates and spouse to attend these lunch meetings.

Charleston Crew...delivers aid to IRAN

Lt. Col. Mark Bauknight, 300 AS/Plt and crew made history delivering essential supplies and personnel to earthquake victims in Iran. This was the first U.S. military aircraft to land in Iran since 1981 at the end of the hostage crisis. Two FEMA International Medical Surgical Response Teams were aboard the aircraft.

Mini Model C-17 Contributions

We are grateful for the outpouring of interest in the project and really appreciate your gifts/check. Your kindness, show military men and women are more than willing to help there own. The alumni presented a check for the project at the 7 January 04 luncheon.

Thank you so much...

for caring that the military remains strong and committed through projects of this kind. We welcome your gift if you have not made one. The project is on schedule and under the estimated original \$20,000.00 cost which has been paid by interested contributors; however, funds are needed to finish with the odds and ends. If you would like to make a contribution, send your check to the 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association marked for the Mini C-17. We are grateful to those who have contributed and appreciate your gift now.

Name: _____ \$ _____ my gift is enclosed.
Mail to: 315 AW Alumni Assoc., 218 N. Bates St., Charleston AFB, SC 29404-4917 (suggested donation \$10 to \$100)

Welcome Aboard Flight 315!... New Members:

Colonel Robert W. Browning	2Lt. Wayne Capps
Civ. Kenny Pruitt	SRA Quashe Hayes
MS Edith Goss	Major Joseph F. Sims
SMS Denise Swick	
MS Philip C. Weidman	

315th Airlift Wing Excellence Over the Years
Congratulations to the Squadrons/Units

Thunderbirds 2004 Schedule ...NELLIS AFB, Nev. (AFPN) -- The U.S. Air Force Air Thunderbirds, announced its 2004 air show schedule. The team is scheduled to perform more than 65 shows in 22 states. The Thunderbirds is an Air Combat Command unit composed of eight pilots (including six demonstration pilots), four support officers, four civilians and about 120 enlisted people. The aerial demonstration is a mix of formation flying and solo routines. The pilots perform about 30 maneuvers during a show. You may want to catch one that comes near your hometown.

March 27 and 28 -- Punta Gorda, Fla.

April 3 and 4 -- Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.; 17 and 18 -- San Diego; 24 and 25 -- March Air Reserve Base, Calif.

May 1 and 2 -- Millville, N.J.; 8 and 9 -- Lake City, Fla.; 15 and 16 -- Dover AFB, Del.; 22 -- Charleston AFB, S.C.; 23 -- Langley AFB, Va.; 29 and 30 -- Moffett Field, Calif.

June 5 and 6 -- Maxwell AFB, Ala.; 12 -- Hill AFB, Utah; 13 -- Naval Air Station Fallon, Nev.; 19 and 20 -- North Kingston Air National Guard Base, R.I.; 26 and 27 -- Janesville, Wisc.

July 3 and 4 -- Kansas City, Mo.; 10 and 11 -- Binghampton, N.Y.; 17 and 18 -- Cold Lake, Alberta; 21 -- Cheyenne, Wyo.; 24 and 25 -- Fairchild AFB, Wash.; 31 -- Greenfield, Ind.

August 1 -- Greenfield, Ind.; 14 and 15 -- Westover ARB, Mass.; 21 and 22 -- Offutt AFB, Neb.; 28 and 29 -- Toledo, Ohio.

September 4 -- Ellsworth AFB, S.D.; 11 -- Andersen Air Base, Guam; 14 - Kadena AB, Japan; 16 -- Kunsan AB, South Korea; 19 -- Osan AB, South Korea; 25 and 26 -- Hyakuri AB, Japan; 30 -- Misawa AB, Japan.

October 3 -- Hamamatsu AB, Japan; 9 and 10 -- Redding, Calif.; 16 and 17 - Houston; 23 and 24 -- El Paso, Texas; 30 and 31 -- Lafayette, La.

November 6 -- Camden, S.C.; 7 -- Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.; 13 and 14 -- Nellis AFB, Nev.

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Since show schedules are subject to change, members of the retirement community should confirm a performance before traveling a long distance. Call the base public affairs office on the military installation where the event is planned or the local chamber of commerce at civilian locations. **Go Thunderbirds!**